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LOG OF MEETING

SUBJECT: MEETING WITH ROBERT W. CROW OF C-FLAP, INC. AND
COMMISSIONER MOORE
DATE OF MEETING: September 17, 1996
PLACE: CPSC HEADQUARTERS/ROOM 714
LOG ENTRY SOURCE: PAMELA L. WELLER
DATE OF ENTRY: SEPTEMBER 25, 1996
COMMISSION ATTENDEES:

COMMISSIONER THOMAS H. MOORE
PAMELA L. WELLER, COUNSELOR TO COMMISSIONER MOORE

NON-COMMISSION ATTENDEES:

DR. ROBERT W. CROW, C-FLAP, INC.
ANDREW KRULWICH, ESQ., WILEY, REIN & FIELDING

SUMMARY OF MEETING:

Dr. Crow requested the meeting to discuss the pending petition before the Commission which requests the CPSC to mandate that all batting helmets (for children under the age of 15) have faceguards which meet the ASTM Standard F910.

Dr. Crow, a physician, supports the wearing of faceguards, but believes that the current ASTM standard fails to take into account the need for wearers to have unobstructed vision and has led to faceguards which obstruct the mouth making it difficult to insert breathing apparatus in the event of an injury.

Dr. Crow showed slides from a study done at Emory University School of Medicine which show how helmets with faceguards meeting the ASTM standard reduce the wearer's field of vision and what the field of vision is for a person wearing a helmet fitted with the C-Flap, invented by Dr. Crow.

Commissioner Moore asked if the ASTM subcommittee had considered amending their standard to take these other factors into account. Dr. Crow said they have discussed it, but no action has been taken. The current standard is designed to only protect the face from ball impact.

Dr. Crow asked that his views be taken into account when the Commission decides whether or not to grant the petition. Commissioner Moore thanked Dr. Crow for his presentation.

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